Mayor shall appoint three qualified voters of the Town of Hurlock to act as Judges, and every person appointed before an election is opened shall appear before a [Justice of the Peace] JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT or Notary Public for Dorchester County, and take oath "that he will faithfully and impartially permit every person to vote at such election who shall be duly qualified, and that he will not suffer any person to vote at such election who shall not be legally qualified vote", and in case of failure of any of said person or persons so appointed to appear and qualify the Mayor shall issue a certificate to one or more persons to act as such Judge or Judges, who shall qualify as above, shall immediately after the election return to the Clerk of Hurlock under their hands the number of votes cast and for whom cast, who shall file the same at once and issue certificates of election to the person or persons receiving the largest number of votes for the respective offices [, provided, that for the first election held under this amended Charter the present Councilmen of Hurlock shall conduct the same accordance with the provisions of this sub-title].

287. Same; tie votes.

If IN any election for Mayor or Councilmen there shall be a tie vote between any candidate or candidates for the same office, a special election shall be called by the Mayor and Council and shall be conducted in the same manner as is provided for in Section 285 of this subtitle.

288. Procedure for filling vacancies.

If any vacancy shall occur in the office of Mayor or Council by death, removal, resignation, failure qualify or otherwise, those remaining of the Mayor and Council of Hurlock at their next regular meeting or within 30 days shall elect a suitable person as Mayor or Councilman as the case may be to serve until the election who shall subscribe to the oath which shall be certified to and recorded as is provided in Section 289. if at any time it shall occur that there is no Mayor or Councilman of Hurlock in office, any five qualified voters residing in said City of Hurlock may in writing call upon [any Justice of the Peace in the Hurlock or] A JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT of Dorchester County to hold an election as in the case of the election under this Charter, and [such], THE special election may be held at any time after the Corporation ceases to have any Mayor or Councilman, and the Mayor and Councilmen so elected shall hold office until the time for a regular election arrives and until their successors are elected and qualified.